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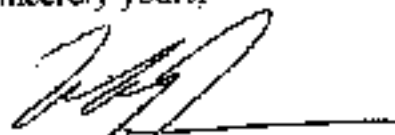
Dear Sir or Madam:

I represent the Merck PAC. This letter serves as notice to the Commission of the determination of Merck PAC to file monthly reports effective March 1, 2000. The first such report covering activity from March 1 through March 30 will be filed prior to the April 20 deadline.

In the next few days, Merck PAC will file a report for activity effective January 1 through February 29, 2000. The report will reflect a contribution dated February 1, 2000 to Representative Barton (TX-6) for which a pre-primary report should have been filed. Merck PAC inadvertently failed to file this report. The forthcoming report for January and February will include the activity which should have been disclosed in the pre-primary report. The determination to file monthly reports was intended to avoid any future unintentional error of this type.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information or if you have any questions about this course of action.

Sincerely yours,

  
Timothy W. Jenkins

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